



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
 Guillaume RIBADEAU-DUMAS et al.)
 Serial No.09/305,178) Art Unit : 1761
 Filed: May 4, 1999) Examiner :P. DUBOIS

FOR : A SWEETENING COMPOSITION AND ITS USES

AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir :

In response to the Office Action mailed July 14,
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IN THE CLAIMS

Please delete without prejudice claims 14 to 24 and
 substitute therefor new claims 25 to 30 as follows:

- 25- A sweetening composition comprising
- a) at least one, not very soluble compound with a solubility
 in water of less than 60 g per 100 g of solution at 20°C
 selected from the group consisting of trehalose, lactose,
 mannose, maltose, erythritol, mannitol, glucopyranodiso-
 1,6-mannitol and lactitol and

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